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CIRCUIT COURT

Began Last Monday at Louisa, With An Important Docket and Large Attendance.

The fall term of the Lawrence Circuit Court began on Monday, Judge J. B. Hannah, presiding and John M. Waugh, Commonwealth's Attorney, guarding the interests of the State. The first business of the term was, as usual, the impaneling of the grand jury, that body of inquisitors upon whose wisdom and watchfulness so much depends. As formed for this term the jury is as follows: W. A. Copley, foreman; C. C. Hill, Emerson Stratton, Garfield Roberts, Luther Giles, K. F. Vinson, Green Berry, Will Martin, Tom Murphy, George Meek and Thad Ransom. The charge delivered to this august body by Judge Hannah, was as usual, vigorous and comprehensive. On this occasion it contained instructions which were probably prompted by the recent primary election. The Judge told the jury that it was its duty to inquire into the manner in which it was conducted in this county, that is, if any votes had been cast which should not be recorded. If, for instance, a man known to be of a certain party, had always voted for the candidates of that party and never professed to belong to the opposite party—if this man asked for a ticket of the opposite party and voted it, the man should be punished and it was the duty of the grand jury to indict the election officers who allowed him to cast the vote. There will probably be some indictments made along this line.

The afternoon session began with the formation of the regular trial jury. Twenty-four men, good and true, qualified themselves to serve in this capacity:

Hugh Dobbins, C. H. Higgins, J. M. Spencer, A. J. Austin, Zeal Jordan, J. C. Short, Luther Laney, Walt Hays, Marion Wilson, Bill Hays, John Boggs, and M. G. Berry.

G. A. Bevans, E. J. Moore, L. D. Boggs, L. B. Spencer, Robt. Dixon, Frank Brown, Ballard Smith, Walt Arrington, Jay Moore, B. G. P. Smith, George W. Reynolds, and Wm. Barnett.

The time of the court was largely taken this week by preliminaries tending the trial of Dr. Oscar Motley, of Morgan-co., for the killing of David Dennis, of the same county, on the fifteenth of April last. The case will be tried here on a charge of venue from Morgan, and was called on that day the defendant entered a plea of insanity and the affidavits of three physicians, Dr. Sterling in support of the plea. A jury in lunacy was impaneled which heard the testimony of the doctors but after some consideration of the case reported a finding of guilty. Judge Hannah ordered that a jury be summoned for the consideration of the case on Thursday.

WILL GO TO NORTH CAROLINA.

Miss Hannah Lackey, whose health has been good of late, is preparing for a visit to Wayneville, N. C., where she will remain for some time in the hope of receiving benefit in the salubrious climate of that locality. She was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Kathleen. They will remain in Cincinnati with Miss Kate Moore a short time and then resume their journey southward. Miss Lackey's friends hope that she will return entirely restored.

DR. McCLAY FRIDAY.

The Rev. Dr. J. B. McClay, District Superintendent, will preach at the M. E. Church Friday evening, August 29, at 7 o'clock. The last services of the present conference year will be held the following Sunday.

MARSHAL PAID FINE.

During the discharge of Marshal Muncy, caused by a wound received in the discharge of duty, Jno. Wellman is married to a woman. He seems to be "onto his feet."

DEATH OF BRIGHT YOUNG MAN.

Ora Carter, aged 20 years, son of Mr. Landon Carter, a well known citizen of Yatesville, this county, died at his home Thursday, August 21st, after a lingering sickness caused by tuberculosis. He was buried on the following Saturday near his late residence in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. Appropriate funeral services were conducted by the young man's pastor, the Rev. Mr. Yoak, assisted by the Rev. H. B. Hulett, of this city. Young Carter was a youth of excellent habits and character, and his untimely death is greatly deplored by all who knew him. His father is in very poor health, and the demise of his boy was a sad blow indeed. Several relatives from this place attended the funeral. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Chaffin and children, Hubert and Miss Lou, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Carter and children, Burgess and Helen, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Abbott and Mrs. Queen.

VISITORS FROM SOUTHLAND.

Mrs. Victor Polson and daughter, Miss Leonie, of Jeanerette, La., arrived in Louisa Friday for a visit to relatives. They remained but a short time, leaving on Sunday morning. Mrs. Polson is the daughter of Mr. Leo Frank, formerly of this city, and niece of Dr. A. W. and Sam Bromley, of Louisa. She was born here, and as Miss Frank was a bright vivacious girl. Time has changed her but little in manner. Leo Frank was postmaster at Louisa when his daughter was yet unmarried and for her the county seat of Martin-co., was named Inez, not Inez, as it is called by so many.

MARRIED.

At noon Friday, Aug. 22, at the home of the minister, Rev. S. F. Reynolds, Miss Lizzie Vinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Vinson, was married to H. L. Mitchell, of Floyd Co. Immediately after the ceremony the pair went to Catlettsburg for a short stay, after which they went to Floyd, where the groom is teaching school. Mr. Mitchell is 26 years old and his attractive wife is 18.

FAIR OR NO FAIR?

Meeting Called for Saturday Afternoon at Louisa to Decide.

The NEWS has been requested to announce that a meeting of the citizens of Lawrence county will be held at the court house on Saturday afternoon, Aug. 30th, at two o'clock for the purpose of considering the question of holding a county fair some time this fall. The time is short, and if a fair is held this year much is to be done. The NEWS thinks there is only one side to the question: A fair should be held. Held under favorable circumstances and properly conducted. A county fair is a stimulus to stock raisers and farmers and to those who produce or make the various articles, such as butter, articles of handicraft, etc. Let there be a big meeting on the day mentioned, and let the decision be in favor of a fair, then all go to work to make it the best ever held in the county.

THE LOUISA PUBLIC SCHOOL.

The public school opened its doors on Monday last, and the outlook for a prosperous session is good. The attendance is fine, all the rooms showing a goodly number of pupils. The corps of instructors is able and experienced, every teacher having had years of school work and practical training. The staff consists of Mr. Dock Jordan, Miss Sallie Gearheart, Miss May Sammons, Miss Virgie Hale and Miss Alice Smith. Miss Smith has the care of the primary room, a laborious and responsible position which long experience has qualified her to fill. The NEWS urges parents and others who have charge of children to compel their daily and constant attendance at school. Few other towns in the State offer such opportunities for free education. A failure to use these golden chances is reprehensible and without excuse.

NEW GAS LINE

From Martin County to Louisville is Now in Course of Construction. To be Finished by January.

Louisville, Ky., August 16. The Kentucky Pipe Line Co., organized some months ago in connection with the Louisville Gas & Electric Co., which is now operating all of the electric and gas properties of the city, has set on foot the construction of a pipe line over 200 miles long from the West Virginia gas wells to Louisville.

The company, which is capitalized at \$2,000,000, with an authorized bond issue of \$3,000,000, let a contract to the Pittsburgh Construction & Engineering Co., of Pittsburgh, Pa., for the work, and the contractors will furnish all of the material and labor for the job. They have already started operations, and it is believed that if the weather is favorable the task will be completed in December or January.

The Louisville Gas & Electric Co. has contracted for gas with the Standard Oil Co., and is assured a supply from the West Virginia gas wells which will prove sufficient to supply the city for many years, and probably generations, to come. A feature of the contract with the city of Louisville, under the provisions of which the company was permitted to merge the local public utilities, was that the gas line should not be used for any other community until the maximum requirements of Louisville had been taken care of.

This has resulted in an interesting deviation from the usual plan in the construction of the pipe line. Instead of following the usual courses, and passing through various cities on its way to Louisville, the pipe line is being run almost as the crow flies, and in this way a considerable distance will be cut off.

Owing to the fact that part of the territory through which the pipe line passes is exceedingly rough, including the mountainous section of West Virginia and Kentucky, it is probable that some delays in proceeding with the work will be encountered. For this reason officers of the companies interested have not fixed a definite time for the completion of the work, but have indicated that it is their hope to give Louisville natural gas, which also means cheaper gas, involving a reduction in rate from 75 to 25 cents, by the beginning of 1914.

The contractors are charged with the task of providing the occasional regulating stations which are needed to reduce the pressure of the gas. The equipment required for this purpose is inconsequential, however, and officers of the Kentucky Pipe Line Co. stated that the only material needed was a small number of valves. The regulating stations will not involve expense of moment, it was declared, practically all of the \$3,000,000 spent in the construction of the line being for labor and pipe. The pipe is all 12-inch stuff, and an immense tonnage of it will be used. It has been purchased in Pittsburgh, and will be delivered at various points along the route of the line as needed.

Several gangs of men are already at work, ground being broken simultaneously at a point near Paintsville, Ky., and at Frankfort, Ky. Each crew is working westward, the men moving from Eastern Kentucky to Frankfort, while the construction gangs starting at the latter city will push on to Louisville, a distance of 50 miles. About 100 men are at present employed, though it is planned by officers of the contracting company to add additional men as the work progresses.—Manufacturers Record.

WILL ORGANIZE A S. S.

Rev. Wm. Jones, Sunday School missionary of the Methodist Episcopal church for Kentucky, will be in Louisa to organize a S. S. on the "Point." The meeting will be held Sunday, Aug. 31, at 2 o'clock in the Fountain Park. Everybody invited to come, especially the people living on the Point. M. S. BURNS & CO. SUPT.

THREE MEN SHOT.

City Marshal Bascom Muncy and Two Others Wounded in Melee Friday Night.

Between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock on last Friday night the entire northern half of the town was startled by a dozen or more pistol shots fired in rapid succession. There had been an irregular sort of fusillade apparently in that section during the earlier part of the evening which did not attract much attention, but so many shots fired so rapidly led to the belief that a fire had broken out or a miniature battle was being waged. The latter conclusion was correct. One had been fought on "railroad" street, near the house occupied by John Hampton. When the "tumult and the shouting died," as Kipling would put it, and the smoke of the conflict had cleared away it was found that Marshal Bascom Muncy had been shot through the left shoulder, Frank Johnson had received a bullet in one thigh and Dave Carter's left arm had been broken by a ball which entered his wrist and passed up to a point near the elbow, where it remained until it was extracted Sunday evening. The bullet which Johnson caught in his leg passed upwards and to the inner side of the thigh until it went out dangerously close to the femoral artery. The wounded hunted up surgical aid and had their wounds dressed. Some time during Saturday Carter was arrested and put under a \$400 bond to answer at the present term of the circuit court a charge of shooting with intent to kill. He will also answer in the city court for carrying concealed deadly weapons and discharging firearms within the city limits.

In speaking of the shooting and the incidents which led up to it Marshal Muncy said that he had reasonable grounds for believing that Carter was drinking early on Friday night and that the firing done early that evening was also done by him. In fact, he said that Gid. Marcum told him that Carter was under the influence of liquor and that he—Marcum—wanted the marshal to arrest him. The officer further said that as he and Frank Johnson were going down the railroad he met a young man who told him that Carter was at Jno. Hampton's house. At this point the marshal summoned Johnson to go with him and assist in taking Carter into custody. When they got to Hampton's house Muncy, who had lent his "black Jack" to Johnson, knocked at the door. It was opened by Carter, when the marshal told him he must arrest him. Carter had come outside by this time, and Muncy told him to put up his hands, as he was going to search him for weapons. The marshal says that instead of doing as he was ordered Carter began to try to draw his pistol from between his trousers and his body. Seeing this Muncy struck him over the head with his pistol receiving in turn a glancing blow on the head from Carter's revolver. Believing his life to be in danger the marshal says he emptied his "gun" at Carter, one of the shots taking effect as said in the foregoing account. Both he and Carter had fallen in the melee, and Muncy thinks it was a stray shot from his pistol that hit Johnson.

Muncy says Carter fired either two or three shots, one of which struck him.

This is substantially the account as given by Marshal Muncy of the affray of last Friday night.

ANNOUNCES A BIRTH.

This announces the birth of Thomas C. Linger, Jr., on August 18, 1913. Weighing 7 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Linger. The happy mother of Thomas, Jr., was formerly Miss Alice Peters, well and favorably known in this place and vicinity. Her home is in Findlay, O.

HAS A BROKEN LEG.

Eugene Crank, of Fallsburg, sustained a fractured leg in the Chastain mine last week. He has been at work there for several months.

Springs Accident Near Ft. Gay.

On Tuesday last Mr. Felix Wilson, a well known and highly respected citizen of Wayne-co., sustained an accident which, it is feared, will result fatally. He was tearing down a porch at his home on Mill Creek, about 4 miles from Ft. Gay, when a heavy timber fell upon his head, knocking him down. In his fall his back struck a large stone, and when he was picked up he was suffering greatly and was unable to move. Dr. Burgess, of this city, was hastily sent for and he did everything possible for the relief of the injured man. It is feared that Mr. Wilson is paralyzed, as motion of the body from the waist downward is impossible. His son, David, of Ceredo, arrived Wednesday at the bedside of his aged parent. Mr. Felix Wilson is the father of Fred Wilson, the well known drayman.

LARGE NUMBER OF VISITORS.

The fact that two important cases, one civil and the other criminal, had been set for hearing in the circuit court this week drew a large number of people to Louisa. Most of them were from Morgan-co., many from nearby counties. Besides those mentioned elsewhere in this paper the NEWS notes the following: R. D. Motley, Hiram Patrick, Esquire E. W. Day, Ben Murphy, J. G. Yocum, James Davis, Atty. Jno. Phipps, Atty. J. N. Rose, N. Cisco, George Neff, Asa Murphy, Frank Howes, C. W. Nickell, Erb Carr, Luther Rose, S. S. Dennis, James Dennis, Otto Carr, Robt. Motley, Dr. Collier, of West Liberty; J. W. Motley, and Drs. G. M. Cox, D. H. Bush and M. Faulkner, of Mt. Sterling; Ed. Sebastian, J. D. Phepps, J. F. C. Bach, William and Fred Leeb.

NURSING BROKEN HAND.

Chris. Lawrence, the oil well man, is off duty this week, nursing a broken and badly bruised right hand. When the injury was received he was drilling a well on Rockcastle creek, and while at work the drill, weighing something less than drill, weighing something less than part of the machinery.

MORE RAILROAD IN PIKE.

Pond Creek Branch of the N. & W. to be Extended.

You see the Norfolk & Western railroad runs up Tag River to Williamson, where the Pond creek Branch connects with the main line and goes into the rich coal fields of Kentucky. Millions of dollars are now being expended in the Pond creek development which is progressing every day.

The Pond creek branch is to be extended on through the rich coal fields of Blackberry creek and then on into Peter creek, which abounds in great quantities of virgin coal all along the line. This new extension is to reach to Kirkland Coal and Coke Co.'s holdings, 110,000 acres of the best coal deposits to be found in this region of the West Virginia coal fields. This new movement of our railroad extension will greatly add to the future prosperity of Williamson and will obviate the building of a new railroad bridge at Matewan, as the Pond creek extension bridge at Williamson will be used for the new road which is now assured. This new extension is a great movement for the further development of our rich mineral resources and will make Williamson a distributing center of no small magnitude.

This will give an outlet to the great wealth of coal stored in the extreme Eastern section of Kentucky and will make Williamson a greater city. This is only one important railroad project which is coming our way. There are others which are coming and which will add to our prosperity and growth.—Williamson Enterprise.

A VAN LEAR BLAZE.

A large frame building at West Van Lear, occupied by the offices of the Consolidated Coal Co., was destroyed by fire.

A PLEASANT AFFAIR.

"Smoker" Given at Paintsville by Mr. Buckingham in Honor of Mr. Mayo.

On Thursday evening of last week at Paintsville Mr. John E. Buckingham, the well known banker, gave a "smoker" at which the guest of honor was Mr. John C. C. Mayo, who had reached home on Tuesday from a trip abroad. Forty business and professional men, nearly all citizens of Paintsville, were present. Other guests were coal men who have interests near Paintsville.

Mr. Buckingham's large and attractive residence was the scene of the happy event. This elegant home was brilliant with electric lights, breezy with electric fans, and resplendent with rich and appropriate decorations, most tastefully arranged. The "weather man" had looked with favor upon the affair and lowered the temperature several degrees. Sweet music rendered by a Huntington orchestra soothed the savage spirit that is always likely to break out at a "stag party." And there was the easy and gracious welcome that Mr. and Mrs. Buckingham have the gift of extending to all who enter their home.

At 5:30 the guests were invited to the dining rooms, and it was announced that a little bird would tell each one where to sit. They found perched upon a goblet at each plate a small parrot, holding in its mouth a tiny gilt-edge card bearing the name of the guest assigned to that place. This unique feature was followed by a number of others equally as novel, and the guests were kept guessing as to what would happen next.

There were two tables. One was a large circular table, in the center of which on a large mirror, was a miniature ocean steamer laden with flowers, flags and streamers. On one of the streamers was the inscription, "Welcome Home," which expressed the sentiment of the occasion.

After the guests were seated a salute of forty guns was fired from most unexpected quarters. On a side plate in front of each guest was an orange. That is to say, it was an orange like the aforesaid parrot was a parrot. It looked like one. The little stem of the orange proved to be a fuse, which when lighted brought forth a startling display of fireworks very much more harmless than it appeared to be. This was followed by an explosion and a discharge of "cannon balls" about the size of marbles and too soft to do any damage.

Having thus formally welcomed the guest of honor the company was ready for the feast. This came in six delicious, delightful courses, the taste and memory of which will linger long with those fortunate enough to be present. The liquid part of the repast was a in Bryan—unfermented grape juice, coffee and water.

At the conclusion of the last course Mr. Buckingham arose and in a few well chosen words, feelingly uttered, expressed his pleasure in having friends gather in his home; also, in seeing Mr. Mayo back from his trip to Europe in improved health and ready to resume the great work of directing the development of Eastern Kentucky. He introduced Hon. James W. Turner as toastmaster. Mr. Turner is associated with Mr. Buckingham in conducting the Paintsville National Bank. He is thoroughly at home in the capacity of toastmaster.

Judge Finley E. Fogg was called upon and responded in a manner that fully sustained his reputation as an after-dinner speaker. He left the serious things to be said by others and gave play to the sharp wit and compelling humor that are prominent in his make-up. His speech made a decided hit.

Mr. A. D. W. Smith, of the North-east Coal Company, was the next speaker. He spoke briefly, but entertainingly.

Mr. Layton, a coal operator who has lived in Paintsville seven years, spoke especially of Mr. Mayo and the great work he has done and will yet do, placing the zenith of his career.

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